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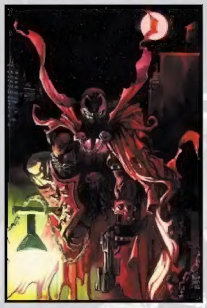

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The hellish creature is at a standstill while Spawn's forces arrive.

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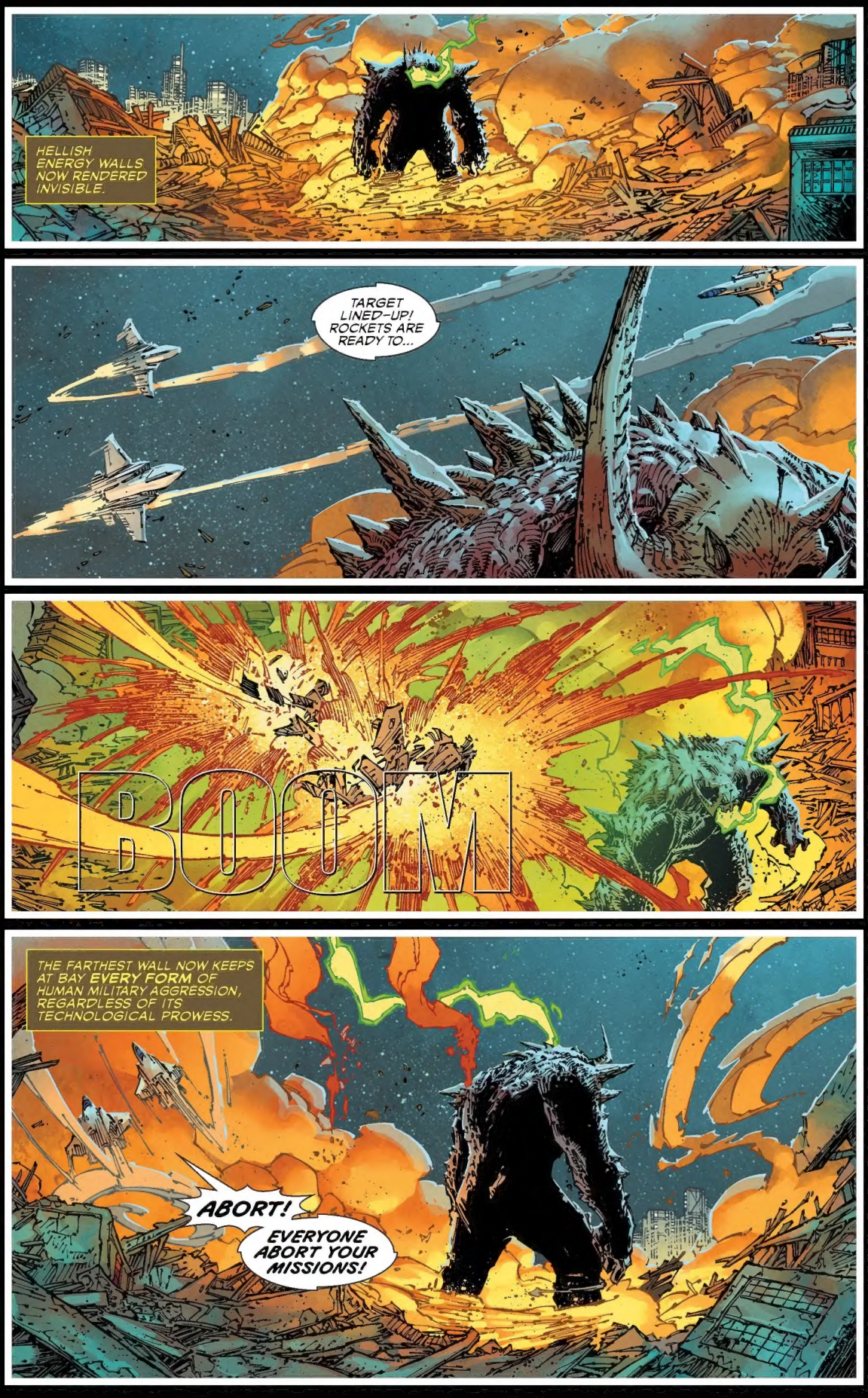
SINCE THE DAWN OF THIS PLANET, THERE'S BEEN AN ENDLESS BATTLE TO SEE WHO SHALL EVENTUALLY DOMINATE THE MORTALS THAT IGNORANTLY POPULATE ITS LANDS.
FOR THE MOST PART, THAT BATTLE, WAGED BETWEEN THE FORCES OF HEAVEN AND HELL, HAS TRIED TO HIDE IN THE SHADOWS.
THE LESS HUMANITY KNOWS ABOUT THE PRESENCE OF EITHER, THE EASIER IT IS TO MANIPULATE AND TEMPT THEM.
BUT THAT WAS BEFORE **NYX**, A FORMER HUMAN, ASCENDED TO THE THRONE OF HELL. HER GREATEST FLAW, THOUGH, IS THAT SHE'S UNAWARE OF THE RULES THAT HAVE BEEN IN PLACE FOR CENTURIES.

THE MOST IMPORTANT: TO STAY HIDDEN, TO KEEP TO THE SHADOWS, IF AT ALL POSSIBLE.
BUT NYX, HELL'S NEW QUEEN, WASN'T BORN FOR THAT KIND OF PATIENCE AND STEALTH. HUMAN EMOTIONS STILL COURSE THROUGH HER BODY, IMPULSES THAT MIX WITH NEWLY ACQUIRED POWERS WHICH HAVE ALREADY BEGUN CORRUPTING HER.
A CORRUPTION, NEARLY COMPLETE, THAT HAS HER CRAVING **TOTAL DOMINANCE.** AND THE **ONLY** PATH-WAY TO THAT POWER, SHE BELIEVES, IS THE ANNIHILATION OF GOD AND HIS HEAVENS...

...BEFORE THEY TRY TO ANNIHILATE HER.
FIRE!
BUT FIRST, SHE NEEDS TO FIND SOMEONE HERE ON EARTH.
AND SHE'S UNCONCERNED HOW PUBLIC THAT SEARCH MIGHT HAVE TO GET.
IN FACT, THE MORE OVERT THOSE ACTIONS ARE...

...THE FASTER IT'LL GRAB THE ATTENTION OF SPAWN, WHO SHE NEEDS TO USE AS A LINK TO LITERALLY "SUPER-CHARGE" HER GIGANTIC SERVANT.
THAT MESSAGE WAS RECEIVED BY SPAWN, LOUD AND CLEAR, HOURS AGO.
KNOWING THIS, NYX SILENTLY ORDERS THE CREATURE TO PREPARE FOR SPAWN'S EVENTUAL CAPITULATION.
THE FIRST THING IT DOES IS CREATE WAVES OF FORCE-FIELDS TO FILTER OUT THOSE NOT NEEDED.


HELLISH ENERGY WALLS NOW RENDERED INVISIBLE.
TARGET LINED-UP! ROCKETS ARE READY TO...
BOOM
THE FARTHEST WALL NOW KEEPS AT BAY **EVERY FORM** OF HUMAN MILITARY AGGRESSION, REGARDLESS OF ITS TECHNOLOGICAL PROWESS.
ABORT!
EVERYONE ABORT YOUR MISSIONS!

WHAT'S IT DOING?!
IT'S LOCKING EVERY-THING OUT.
IT WANTS ME. AND ONLY ME.
SPAWN! I'VE GATHERED THE OTHERS. WHAT'RE YOUR ORDERS?
HE WON'T LET YOU PASS. SO, HOLD YOUR POSITIONS.

MOMENTS LATER, ANOTHER HEAVENLY HERO SWOOPS IN: "THE DISCIPLE".
HOLD FOR WHAT?! SO IT CAN KILL EVEN MORE, IS THAT IT, HELLSPAWN? WE'RE NOT FALLING FOR YOUR LIES! THAT THING'S FROM HELL... YOU WANT IT TO SUCCEED, DON'T YOU?
LOOK SPAWN, I DON'T KNOW IF WE'RE GOING TO SURVIVE, BUT I'M SURE AS SHIT NOT FIGHTING ALONGSIDE THOSE TWO OR ANY OTHER ENEMIES.
NONE OF YOU GET IT...
...THIS IS A TRAP!
IT'S BARELY MOVING, WE HAVE TO ATTACK NOW!
YOU CAN'T!
DIDN'T YOU SEE THE BARRIERS IT SET UP?

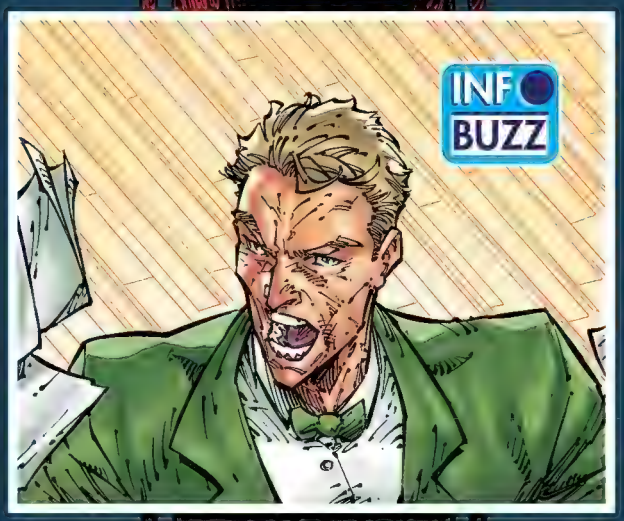
THEN STAND THERE AND DO NOTHING, SPAWN! THE REST OF US WILL TAKE CARE OF YOUR MESS.
SPREAD THE WORD. I'LL TALK WITH SHE-SPAWN.
WHAT'D HE SAY?
NOTHING. WE'RE ON OUR OWN.
SHE DOESN'T HAVE TIME TO FIGURE OUT WHY SPAWN IS HESITANT-- SHE SIMPLY TAKES ON THE ROLE OF 'LEADER'.

BECAUSE SHE LEARNED IN THE MILITARY THAT TO CEDE ANY FORWARD GROUND TO AN APPROACHING ENEMY GIVES THEM THE ADVANTAGE.
AND SHE'LL BE DAMNED IF SHE'S GOING TO DO THAT.
SO, SHE PRESSED THE ATTACK WITH AN ECLECTIC GROUP OF DOZENS AND DOZENS WHO UNDERSTAND THE DEPTH OF THIS THREAT.
ANOTHER DAY, MOST IN HER BATTALION WOULD BE ADVERSARIES. TODAY THOSE DIFFERENCES WILL BE PUT TO THE SIDE.
IT'S ANOTHER FORCE-FIELD!
YES. ONE THAT WILL NOW LOCKOUT THOSE OF "HER KIND".

HEROES, VILLAINS, HYBRIDS... THEY ALL MAKE THEIR MOVES, WAVE UPON WAVE.
IT WILL TAKE LESS THAN FIVE MINUTES FOR ALL OF THEM TO REALIZE...
THAT DESPITE THEIR VAST POWERS, NONE OF THEM WILL EVEN GET NEAR THE TITANIC CREATURE... AND THEY'LL ALL WONDER...
HOW CAN WE STOP THAT THING?
NOTHING CAN GET PAST THE NEW BARRIER.
THAT'S NOT TRUE.
IT WANTS ME-- IT'LL LET ME PASS. I THINK IT'S ONLY BEINGS FROM HEAVEN AND HELL THAT ARE GETTING BLOCKED.

PANIC CONTINUES TO GRIP THE COAST OF OREGON. MILITARY OFFICIALS REPORT THAT THEIR EFFORTS ARE NOT HAVING THE DESIRED RESULTS. ALL ATTEMPTS TO STOP THE GIANT'S RELENTLESS ADVANCE HAVE MET WITH VERY LIMITED SUCCESS. DEATH COUNTS CONTINUE TO CLIMB AS SOME CITIZENS, ACROSS A SPAN OF ABOUT TWENTY MILES, HAVE REFUSED TO EVACUATE, HIDING THEMSELVES FROM THE NATIONAL GUARD. THE DEATH TOLL HAS YET TO BE DETERMINED, BUT REPORTS CONFIRM THAT AT LEAST SEVERAL DOZEN LIVES HAVE BEEN LOST IN THE CATASTROPHIC DESTRUCTION, WHICH, AS I SAY, IS ONGOING.

FEAR IS EVERYWHERE. NEITHER NATURAL OBSTRUCTIONS NOR MILITARY STRATEGY HAVE BEEN ABLE TO SLOW OR PREVENT THE MONSTER'S DETERMINED PROGRESS.



WHAT IS GOING ON? IF THE MILITARY CAN'T STOP IT--THEN WHAT?! I THOUGHT WE HAD THE WORLD'S MOST ***ADVANCED*** DEFENSE SYSTEMS! SO, WHAT'S NEXT, DO WE ALL JUST SIT AND WAIT FOR THAT CREATURE OR ANOTHER JUST LIKE IT TO DESCEND UPON ***OUR OWN*** TOWNS?? WE CAN'T EVACUATE EVERY CITY OR TOWN IN THE COUNTRY. MAYBE, THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD GET THE HELL ***OUT OF THE WAY*** AND SEE WHAT THOSE COSTUMED BEINGS CAN ACCOMPLISH. WHOEVER THEY ARE, THEY ALL SEEM TO WANT TO HELP IN THE EFFORT TO STOP THAT THING!

THE SCARIEST PART FOR ALL OF US IS THAT NO ONE KNOWS ANYTHING ABOUT THE ORIGIN OF THE GIANT CREATURE OR WHERE ALL THOSE ***COMIC BOOK*** BEINGS CAME FROM. WHICH MAKES IT ALL THE MORE DISTRESSING... THERE'S NO WAY TO KNOW WHO IS FRIEND AND WHO IS FOE. AND WHILE WE'RE TRYING AND SORT THAT OUT, PEOPLE ARE ***DYING!***

ARMAGEDDON ***IS UPON US!!!***
THE END TIMES I'VE BEEN SCREAMING ABOUT FOR YEARS ARE FINALLY ***HERE!!!!*** SAVE YOURSELF BECAUSE NO ONE ELSE WILL. GET YOUR FAMILY TO SAFETY, GET YOUR SUPPLIES AND ***MOST*** IMPORTANT--***GRAB YOUR GUNS AND BIBLES!!!!*** I PROMISE YOU THAT IF THE WORLD IS ABLE TO PREVENT THIS MASS DESTRUCTION, THE AFTERMATH WITH MAKE ***'THE WALKING DEAD'*** TELEVISION SHOW LOOK LIKE A PICNIC. THE GOVERNMENT'S INCOMPETENCE IS LEADING US ALL TO OUR ***SLAUGHTER!!!***

AND THOSE DAMN COSTUMED ***VILLAINS***--THAT'S RIGHT, THEY'RE ***NO*** HEROES--I BELIEVE THE ONLY REASON THEY WANT TO HELP... IF THAT'S WHAT THEY'RE ***REALLY*** DOING... IS BECAUSE ***THEY*** WANTED TO TAKE OVER THE WORLD ***FIRST!*** THIS SICKENING GIANT THING JUST BEAT THEM TO IT!! SO, THIS IS ONLY ***ROUND ONE*** IN OUR ORCHESTRATED ***EXTINCTION*** AS A SPECIES!!

IT'S STILL NOT TOO LATE TO SUBSCRIBE TO MY PODCAST, AT THE ADDRESS ON THE SCREEN!

YOU THINK YOU CAN BUILD WHAT WE NEED?
I'LL BUILD IT. THE REST OF YOU DO YOUR PART, THAT THING'S GOING TO FEEL PAIN.
HEY! YOU GUYS!
JAVI, I'M LOOKING FOR HIM--I MEAN, MAYBE YOU CALL HIM GUNSLINGER, IS HE HERE?
CIVILIANS AREN'T SUPPOSED TO BE HERE. GET OUT!
HANG ON. HOW'D YOU GET TO US?
THERE WAS SOME WEIRD ENERGY THING, BUT I GOT THROUGH.
DROWNING
X.X
CORPSES
YOU GOT PAST THE FORCE-FIELD?

AND WHEN I DID, SOMETHING TRIGGERED IN ME. WATCH WHAT HAPPENS!
DON'T KNOW IF IT'S BECAUSE MY DAD SOME DAMN ANGEL OR SOMETHING--WHATEVER THE REASON, THIS IS WHAT I AM. AND JAVI HAS QUESTIONS TO ANSWER!
LIKE WHY HE DESERTED ME!*
*See GUNSLINGER #31--Thomas
I THOUGHT YOU GUYS WERE SUPPOSED TO HELP PEOPLE.
WE'RE TRYING TO DO THAT.
THEN THERE'S SOMEONE WHO CAN HELP, LIKE HE HELPED ME. HE'LL BE HERE SOON.
"THEN HE'LL HAVE TO CATCH UP, WE NEED TO GO!"

FOCUS, SEE HOW CLOSE YOU CAN GET TO THE FORCE-FIELD, THEN REPORT BACK.
I'M ON IT!
IF THE SPEEDSTER CAN FIND A CHINK IN THIS HELLISH CREATURE'S ARMOR, SPAWN CAN ATTACK FROM MULTIPLE FLANKS.
SURPRISINGLY, THOUGH, FOCUS IS ABLE TO DASH RIGHT UP TO THE CREATURE, UNHINDERED BY ANY ENERGY FORCE.
IN FACT, HE'S ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH MORE THAN HE'D THOUGHT. HE NEEDS TO REPORT THIS.

I TOUCHED IT, WITH MY HAND. THE ENERGY WALLS *DIDN'T* STOP ME, AND THE BEAST DIDN'T *EVEN KNOW* I WAS THERE!
YOU HEAR THAT, MONOLITH? SO, GO TELL THE HELL-SPAWNS THEY CAN'T GET IN, BUT I'M TAKING THOSE *WHO CAN.*
MONOLITH LEAVES TO BREAK THE BAD NEWS.
IT'S TIME I WENT AND MET THIS BASTARD.
BEFORE GOING, HE GIVES EACH OF THEM THEIR INSTRUCTIONS, JUST IN CASE HE *DOESN'T* RETURN.

WITH THAT, HE MELTS INTO THE SHADOWS.
RE-EMERGING IN THE CREATURE'S OWN SHADOW, MERE YARDS FROM HIS ENEMY.
JUST AS A VISION OF QUEEN NYX SHIMMERS BEFORE HIM...
I KNEW YOU WOULD COME. ***LEND ME*** SOME OF YOUR POWERS THEN ALL THIS GOES AWAY.
I DON'T TRUST YOU.
THEN, ***UNTIL*** YOU DO, MY SERVANT STAYS...
THUD

AND THE BLOOD OF THOSE CAUGHT IN HIS WAY WILL BE YOUR BURDEN TO CARRY.
BREAKDOWN

THIS CREATURE, MADE FROM CORPSES, CONTINUES ITS THRASHING.
LIKE A KINDERGARTEN CHILD ANGRY THAT NO ONE WILL PLAY WITH THEM.
IT WILL CONTINUE KILLING UNTIL YOU RELENT.
HELP ME TAKE DOWN GOD AND EARTH IS YOURS, SIMMONS
SPAWN ISN'T LISTENING THOUGH, HE'S STRATEGIZING.
KNOWING THE NEXT CRUCIAL PART OF HIS PLAN IS TO GET THE MONSTER'S ATTENTION.
HERE I AM, YOU BASTARD!

YOU WANT ME... THEN TAKE ME!!
THE NEXT PORTION OF SPAWN'S PLAN, ONCE HE GETS THAT ATTENTION, IS ALLOWING THE CREATURE TO CAPTURE HIM.
MAKING THE MONSTER FORGET EVERYTHING ELSE, GIVING A CHANCE TO THOSE TRYING TO EVACUATE THE LOCAL POPULACE.
WHAT SPAWN DIDN'T PLAN ON WAS THE CREATURE WANTING TO BURY HIM WITHIN ITS MASSIVE CHEST!
AN ACT NOT GONE UNNOTICED.

FOCUS!
I SAW! FOLLOW ME, I KNOW WHERE TO GO.
IT'S NOT THAT EASY. YOU GO NEAR IT NOW IT'LL SWALLOW *YOU UP*, TOO!
LISTEN TO TAYLOR, HE'S RIGHT!
HE'S ALREADY LEARNED THE BEST WAY TO EXPLOIT THAT GIANT'S WEAKNESSES. TIME YOU LEARNED THAT LESSON, TOO.
SO SAYS *THE* POACHER.

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